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## NOTIFICATION OF ERROR IN PAYMENT OF FEE(S) AS A SMALL ENTITY (37 C.F.R. §1.28(c))

On May 21, 2004, a small entity assertion was filed in this patent application. This assertion of small entity status in this application and the payment of fee(s) as a small entity were made in good faith. It has now been discovered that such status as a small entity was established in error.

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Counsel is now taking the necessary steps to comply with the submission and itemization requirements of paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of OFJR. -6 M 11: 45 §1.28, and the deficiency payment requirement of paragraph (c)(2).

Fee(s) Erroneously Paid As A Small Entity	Fee Actually Paid As A Small Entity  \$ 385.00	Deficiency Owed \$ 385.00
☐ Fee for excess claims (over 20) paid on	\$	\$
☐ Fee for multiple claims paid on  ———————————————————————————————————	\$\$	\$
paid  □ The issue fee paid on  □ maintenance fee	\$	\$
(First, second or third) paid on  maintenance fee (First, second or third)	\$	\$
paid on	\$	\$

Total Deficiency Owed \$385.00

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The total deficiency owed is paid as follows:		
☑ Attached is a ☑ Check ☐ Money Order in the amount of \$385.00		
☐ Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$ ☐ to Deposit Account No. <u>23-3000</u> .		
to Credit card as shown on the attached credit card information authorization form PTO-2038		
Warning: Credit card information should not be included on this form as it may become public.		
☑ Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.		
A duplicate of this paper is attached.		

Respectfully submitted, WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P.

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